

REMARKS

Forty-six (46) claims, including six (6) independent claims, were paid for in the application. Claims 2, 13-23, 28 and 34-46 have been canceled. Claims 1, 3-4, 8, 24-26 and 29-31 have been amended. No new matter has been added to the application. No fee for additional claims is due by way of this Amendment. The Director is authorized to charge any fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090. Claims 1, 3-12, 24-27 and 29-33 are pending.

Consideration of the instant application in view of the above amendments is respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Mr. Abramonte by telephone to discuss the claims, if desired. If the Examiner notes any informalities in the claims, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Mr. Abramonte to expediently correct such informalities by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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